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CONTINUED EXAMINATION

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Provides for continued examination of a utility or plant

Application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA)

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 153 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and

Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (August 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (March 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1.	Cuhm	ission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114
1.	a.	XXXX Previously submitted
	a.	i. XXXX Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 previously filed
		on JUNE 10, 2004 (any unentered
		amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
		ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed
		filed on
		iii Other
	b.	Enclosed
	D.	i Amendment/Reply with transmittal
		ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
		iii Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) and PTO-1449
		iv. Other
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۷.		Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37
	a.	C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of
		suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required)
	b.	Other
3.	Fees	The RCE fee Under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed.
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		i. XXXXX RCE fee (\$790.00) required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e)
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		(37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
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